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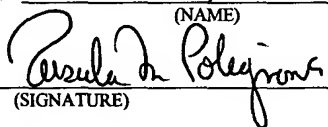
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FOR: Self-Aligning Blood Collection Tube with Encoded Information

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The present patent application is a divisional application of patent application Serial Number 09/542,494 filed on April 3, 2000. Applicant respectfully requests entry of the following amendments to the claims.